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Seattle,U.S.A.

March 18, 1924.

Commissioner of Fisheries, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Attention Mr. Henry O'Malley.

We are in receipt of your letter of March 14 relative to statistical report of operations at Unalaska, Alaska, and in this connection you are advised that inasmuch as our operations were very limited at that point, so far as results were concerned, we combined our fisheries operations in Southwest Alaska covering Sawmill Bay, Seward and Unalaska, in our general report, original of which was transmitted on or about the 8th day of January, 1924.

On March 15 we received a letter from Mr. Dennis Winn, your agent at Seattle, calling for this separate report, stating that your office assumed that our Seward plant report did not include the Unalaska figures. To this we replied as follows:

"Replying to your letter of March 15, 1924, with which letter was enclosed blank form No.632, and referring to our operations at Unalaska for the season of 1923.

"You are advised that in our report covering our operations at Sawmill Bay and Seward, Alaska, we reported all Alaska expenses, including Sawmill Bay, Seward and Unalaska; and also reported all fish caught and handled in such territory.

"We have a copy of this report on file in our office and if desired we can make another copy thereof and send to you; but believe the statement we have made will obviate the necessity of making any such report, as it is quite lengthy and involves considerable time and labor."

If you will take our report as transmitted you will find that our output of codfish, which was the only commodity produced by us at Unalaska, amounted to 86,000 pounds, while the fishermen's expense for catching same was \$1612.15. These items are included in the totals of the catch and of the wages paid. If it is desirable to separate these items it can, of course, be done. But inasmuch as the operations were so small and the result so meagre, we believed it would be satisfactory to include them in the general Southwestern Alaska report and therefore made our report on that basis.

Trusting that this may make the matter thoroughly understood and awaiting your further pleasure in the matter, we are

Yours very truly,

SAN JUAN FISHING & PACKING CO.

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